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Ambassador Wohlers Opens Conference on Judges



On February 12, Ambassador Wohlers opened a conference on "the Role of the Judge in an Adversarial System," funded through the U.S. Embassy and implemented by the Academy for Judges and Prosecutors and the Macedonian Judges Association. This conference marks the beginning of a year-long Judge to Judge Partnership Program, which will focus on the enforcement of law and procedure under the new Criminal Procedure Code. It will also support the development of ethical and professional standards essential to fundamental rule of law principles. Judge Beverly Reid O'Connell of the Los Angeles Superior Court, and Judge Hollis Hill from the King County Superior Court in Washington State will lead the seminar and interact with Macedonian judges. This program is another part of U.S. assistance to Macedonia in preparation for the new criminal procedures.



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